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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Unexamined Patent No. Hei-11-252807 to MARUO et al., laid open on September 17, 1999, and entitled "Charging Apparatus", as well as an English translation; and

U.S. Patent No. 4,250,413 to KAWASAKI et al., issued February 10, 1981.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and cite the above materials. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm

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consideration of these documents.

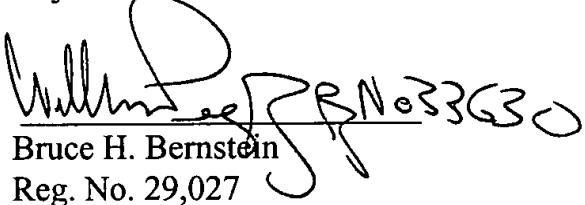
Applicants also bring to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent application:

U.S. Patent Application 09/824,249 to HANADA, filed April 3, 2001, and entitled "A Power Supply Unit Incorporating an Electric Double Layer Capacitor, and A Method of Charging the Electric Double Layer Capacitor".

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above noted patent application, as filed is attached hereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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